

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-5 and enter new claims 6-10, as follows: —

--6. (New) An injection molding apparatus comprising  
a housing,  
a screw sleeve which is axially displaceable with respect to said housing,  
means for preventing rotation of said screw sleeve with respect to said housing,  
a shaft which is mounted concentrically in said screw sleeve and is axially fixed  
but rotatable with respect to said screw sleeve, said shaft having one end for carrying a worm in  
a molding cylinder and an axially opposed end,  
a spindle nut which cooperates with said screw sleeve to axially displace said  
screw sleeve with respect to said housing when said spindle nut is rotated,  
a first drive device for rotating said spindle nut, thereby axially displacing said  
worm,  
an axial coupling on said opposed end which is rotatably fixed but axially  
displaceable with respect to said opposed end, and  
a second drive device for rotating said axial coupling, thereby rotating said  
worm.--

--7. (New) An injection molding apparatus as in claim 6 wherein each of said  
first and second drive devices comprises an electric motor.--

--8. (New) An injection molding apparatus as in claim 6 wherein each said  
electric motor is a servo motor excited by permanent magnets.--

--9. (New) An injection molding apparatus as in claim 6 wherein said opposed  
end of said shaft is splined.--